Mountain Weather Forecast

Mourne Mountains

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 22 Dec 2022 until 23:59 on Friday 23 Dec 2022

Forecast Issued on Thursday 22 Dec 2022 at 03:30

Confidence: Medium at best with doubts over northern extent of cloud and band of rain on Thursday. Confidence growing for an unsettled period through the remainder of the forecast period, with a deepening low moving northeast across the northern Scotland, and turning colder later Christmas Day.

Headline for Thursday 22 Dec 2022: North largely dry and bright, south cloudier with a little rain.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 22 Dec 2022

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 700m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Cloudy	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
60%	10%	10%	00%	00%	00%

Forecast for Thursday 22 Dec 2022

Weather: Cloudy start with rain but cloud breaking up through the morning and becoming dry, with a fine afternoon with sunny sells, then clear spells in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: Around 25% at first becoming 75% through the morning.

Low cloud and visibility: Periods of cloud above about 450-600m at first becoming more occasional through the morning. Away from cloud, visibility very good, bug tony a few kilometres in early rain.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	14/20 SW	12/17 NW	11/17 NW	10/15 NW	8/11 NW	5/7 NW	5/7 SE
300	4/11 SW	7/13 NW	7/13 NW	4/8 N	5/8 NW	4/6 NW	4/6 E
Valley	2/9 S	6/13 NW	7/13 NW	5/10 NW	5/8 NW	4/6 NW	3/5 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	4/-1	4/-0	4/-0	4/0	3/0	3/1	3/1
300	4/3	5/2	6/3	5/4	4/2	3/1	2/0
Valley	5/4	6/4	7/5	6/4	5/3	4/2	2/1
Freezing Level*	1200m	1200m	1100m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Feeling cold on higher tops, especially through the morning.

Forecast for Friday 23 Dec 2022

Weather: Dry with clear spells at first but cloud increasing towards dawn with patchy light rain expected soon after dawn. The rain becomes more persistent and occasionally heavy, with perhaps a little sleet on the highest summits for a time Clearing northeastwards from late afternoon, with a few clear spells and scattered showers following in the evening.

Maximum wind: Easterly 10mph or less increasing 20-25mph by mid-morning, with gusts around 40mph over ridges and summits, before easing through afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: Close to zero before becoming 60% from late afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Periods or persistent cloud above about 450-600m, with patches below, becoming more occasional above 600m from the southwest through the afternoon. Away from cloud visibility good falling to a few kilometres in heavier rain and any sleet.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Around zero Celsius at dawn rising to plus 7 or 8 Celsius by day
At 700m: Around plus 2 or 3 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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